

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 141** HLS 11RS 686

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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.: Sub. Bill For.:

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CRIME/SEX OFFENSES

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Provides with respect to the crimes of crime against nature and crime against nature by solicitation

<u>Present law</u> provides that a person that receives a second or subsequent conviction of crime against nature by solicitation shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$2,000, imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for not more than 5 years, or both. <u>Proposed legislation</u> amends <u>Present law</u> penalties for a second or subsequent conviction of crime against nature by solicitation by imposing a fine of not less than \$250 nor more than \$2,000, imprisonment, with or without hard labor, for not more than 2 years, or both. <u>Proposed legislation</u> removes crimes against nature by solicitation from the list of offenses for which an offender shall comply with sex offender registration and notification requirements. <u>Proposed legislation</u> would apply to those convicted on or after August 15, 2011.

EXPENDITURES	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0
REVENUES	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The proposed legislation may result in a decrease in state general fund expenditures by reducing the maximum penalty of years served for crimes against nature by solicitation from 5 years to 2 years. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation is indeterminable, since it decreases the maximum penalty of time served from 5 years to 2 years and it is not known how many people will be convicted of this crime. However, for each year an offender in the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections would not have to serve his sentence, the department would save \$8,902 (\$24.39 per day x 365 days) for housing in offender in a local facility and \$20,360 (\$55.78 per day x 365 days) for housing an offender in a state facility.

The department may also recognize additional savings with the statute no longer defined as a "sex offense". To the extent an offender that would have been placed under electronic monitoring for the remainder of his natural life is no longer required to be monitored, the department would save \$1,183 (\$3.24 per day x 365 days) per year.

For illustrative purposes, if a defendant is convicted and serves a maximum of 2 years (at a local facility), as proposed in this bill, it would cost \$17,805 (\$24.39 per day  $\times$  730 days). Under present law, if a defendant is convicted and serves a maximum of 5 years (at a local facility), as proposed in this bill, it would cost \$44,512 (\$24.39 per day  $\times$  1,825 days). This would result in a future savings of \$26,707 (\$44,512 present law - \$17,805 proposed law).

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on state governmental revenues as a result of this measure. However, any revenue generated through the minimum amount of \$250 fines by this legislation would accrue to local government entities. Local funds may decrease for offenders convicted of crime against nature or crime against nature by solicitation since the offenders will not have to pay the registration fee of \$60.

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13.5.2 >= \$500	,000 Annual Tax or Fee ge {S&H}	$\square$ 6.8(G) >= \$5	100,000 Annua 600,000 Tax or I a Net Fee Decr	ree increase	Evan Brasseaux Staff Director	